

## MAKING IT HAPPEN: Applying CSD Processes to Promote Implementation

Below is an **illustrative** example of how future CSD sessions might be structured:

**Theme:** If the CSD uses the “WEHAB” framework as an organizing principle, the first two years (2004-2005) could be devoted to a cross-sectoral discussion of *Water and Sustainable Development*. Such a discussion should emphasize the linkages between water and the other “WEHAB” elements, as well as with elements not adequately covered by “WEHAB.”

**Context for discussions:** Agreements reached at Rio, Millennium Declaration, WSSD, previous CSDs, and in a variety of other fora.

**Sub-topics:** The CSD could use the 9 “Action Areas” identified in the WEHAB Working Group’s “Framework for Action on Water and Sanitation” ([http://www.johannesburgsummit.org/html/documents/wehab\\_papers.html](http://www.johannesburgsummit.org/html/documents/wehab_papers.html))

### Reporting & Information Gathering (~Spring '04)

~2-week meeting

#### Main sessions might include:

- 1-day context-setting opening plenary
- Presentations of strategies/priorities for sustainable development
- Voluntary self-reporting by existing partnerships/initiatives
- Facilitated roundtables (e.g., partnership activities, cross-cutting issues, etc.)
- Input from other relevant fora (e.g., the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Water Forum)
- Brainstorming on best practices, gaps, barriers, and next steps

#### During afternoon/evening breaks:

- Matchmaking sessions
- Traditional side events
- “Cabaret” dialogues

#### Parallel fora might include:

- Exhibit(s)
- Expert-to-expert training (“Summit Institute”)

### Synthesis & Analysis (report due ~Aug. '04)

#### Report could contain:

- Expert analysis based on dialogues at spring meeting
- Lessons learned, best practices, case studies
- Analysis of gaps and barriers to implementation
- Records of partnership discussions at spring meeting
- Records of roundtable discussions
- Records of strategies/priorities presentations
- Lists of participants (to facilitate further discussion of partnerships/initiatives)

#### CSD website:

- Report contents also available (and updated) on website

### Implementation Conference (~Early '05)

~1-week meeting; not necessarily in New York

- Forum devoted exclusively to forming and/or enhancing partnerships and initiatives
- Partnerships/initiatives developed here could be formally launched in the spring/summer meeting

#### Meeting could include:

- Matchmaking sessions
- Several breakout rooms available for groups to flesh out details of nascent partnerships
- “Cabaret” dialogues
- Capacity building on partnership formation

### Consideration of Next Steps (~Spring/Summer '05)

~2-week meeting

- Facilitated roundtables on significant lessons learned on implementation, gaps, barriers, best practices, and next steps
- Formal announcements of new partnerships and initiatives
- Negotiations on policy guidance
- Closing 1-day plenary for CSD adoption of salient conclusions & recommendations for further action
- Consideration of linkages to future relevant fora (e.g., the 4<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum)
- Kick off preparations for next CSD cycle

## OUTCOMES: Implementation of Sustainable Development

- Outcome A: Increased capacity for implementation
- Outcome B: Enhanced & additional partnerships and initiatives
- Outcome C: Increased stakeholder participation/integration
- Outcome D: Mobilizing resources for sustainable development
- Outcome E: Enhanced donor coordination/complementarity
- Outcome F: Policy guidance
- Outcome G: A rich source of information on implementation